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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In Chicago, prices were unchanged on mediums but higher on the balance. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady on mediums and fully steady to firm on the remainder of sizes. Demand improved and was light to mostly moderate. Offerings of the lighter weighted eggs were adequate to instances ample while supplies of the heavier weighted eggs ranged sufficient to tight. Breaking stock supplies remained adequate to fully adequate and demand was moderate to fairly good. Light type hens were fully sufficient to ample for slaughter schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Boston, prices were unchanged to 2 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to instances fully steady entering the weekend. Demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate to fully adequate for the moderate demand. Schedules were regular to overtime. Light type hens were fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Processing schedules were usually normal for next week.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to fully steady with firmness noted on the larger sizes. Demand ranged light to moderate, although improving in some locations. Supplies were sufficient for current needs.

MIDWEST Large prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin up 2 cents, prices in balance of areas unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to generally fully steady. Retail and food service demand was moderate to instances good with improvement noted in most areas. Supplies were mixed, ranging from in close balance to ample with mediums in the longest position. Central states breaking stock prices remained unchanged. Offerings were adequate for the moderate to fairly good demand. Graded loose shell egg offerings were adequate and decreasing from recent levels. Schedules were full-time to over-time. Floor stocks fully adequate. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

CHICAGO Prices for extra large and large increased 2 cents, mediums unchanged. The market tone was steady to fully steady. Retail and food service demand light to moderate, mostly moderate, best where specials are a factor. Supplies generally adequate.

SOUTHERN Prices were unchanged. The market tone was in a full range of steady to firm entering the weekend. Asking prices for the upcoming week were generally trending unchanged on mediums. However, next week's asking prices for the larger sizes were trending higher. Demand was light to moderate, best where features were planned next week. Supplies were sufficient to tight for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate to fully adequate for the moderate demand. Light type hens were fully adequate to ample for the light demand.

WESTERN Prices unchanged. The market tone on the large sizes was firm with asking prices for next week throughout the region 3 cents higher on jumbo, 2 cents higher on extra large and large. Mediums were steady with asking prices unchanged. Retailer demand mainly moderate. Offerings of large confidently held, medium more available.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	87-91	76-80	66-68
New York	52-56	50-54	44-48
Philadelphia	48-54	47-52	43-46
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	40-44	38-41	34-37
Jackson (1)	49-51	46-48	42-45
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	49-59	46-56	42-52
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	43-47	41-45	33-37
Detroit (2)	37-42	36-41	33-37
Major Ohio Cities (2)	39-43	38-41	31-35
Major Wisconsin Cities	40-47	39-45	33-38
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	59-64	56-59	52-55
Southern California (Grade AA)(4)	63-69	61-64	56-58
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	79	74	69
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(2) - Delivered Warehouse		
(3) - Reported Invoice prices	(4) - Prices To Retailers		

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was firm on the large sizes with asking prices for next week 3 cents higher on jumbo, 2 cents higher on extra large and large. Medium and small were steady with asking prices unchanged. Retailer demand light to mainly moderate. Offerings light and confidently held on the large sizes, mediums increased. Small benchmark price 49. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets- jumbo dozen 79-89, large dozen 99.

CALIFORNIA: California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	82
EXTRA LARGE	79
LARGE	74
MEDIUM	69

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA: PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	65-74
EXTRA LARGE	63-69
LARGE	61-64
MEDIUM	56-58

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	239-299
EXTRA LARGE	229-279
LARGE	199-219
MEDIUM	179-199

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Demand was moderate to instances fairly good for the mostly adequate offerings. Graded loose shell egg offerings were adequate and decreasing from recent levels. Schedules full-time to overtime. Floor stocks were fully adequate. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady.
PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
NEST RUN	27-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-16
CENTRAL STATES AREA:	
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI	

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week's trading. The market tone was steadier as traders monitor further market developments. Demand was normal, but not aggressive. Supplies were about adequate to fully adequate for mixed, but usually regular to overtime breaking schedules. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region were 3 percent more than both the previous week and the same week last year.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	26-31	26.5-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-21	13-14

EASTERN REGION AREA:
 AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E -11-May-02
 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,260,490	29,369	12,628	6,786	3,097	4,525
PW	1,253,233	28,603	12,650	6,943	3,196	4,304
LY	1,216,515	26,706	12,994	6,855	3,077	4,069
% CHG PW	1	3	0	-2	-3	5
% CHG LY	4	10	-3	-1	1	11
2002	21,878,960	506,285	217,165	116,693	52,050	78,739
2001	21,171,763	478,982	216,093	117,530	45,762	76,115
% CHG YTD	3	6	0	-1	14	3
		CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST		
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -		WEEK	WEEK	YEAR		
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)		42.29	41.89	41.61		
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)		38.70	38.46	38.27		

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 60 to 61.5 cents fob and pasteurized whites were reported at 16 cents fob. Trade sentiment was generally steady to at times fully steady for whole egg and whites and fully steady for yolk. Demand was mostly moderate for whites, moderate to fairly good for whole egg, and good for yolk. Most buyers and sellers reported the undertone on all liquid as improving. Offerings of all products were adequate for current needs with yolk reported as tightening up in some areas. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged from last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM Friday 17 May, 2002 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	14	28-30	28.93	1.53
WHITES	20	11-15.5	12.13	.35
YOLKS	8	59-62	61.13	.93

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to previous week's trading. Trade sentiment was at least steady. Demand was fair and trading was usually reported as inactive. Offerings were adequate for trade needs. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending May 11, 2002 were 1% higher than the previous week and 3% more than a year ago.
WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS	(MIN. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	37-45	41-42
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR	62-85
WHITES	22-32	22-25
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	71-74	71-73
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	66-70	66-69
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.		

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Frozen whole egg values were unchanged to 2 cents higher for whole egg, unchanged for whites, unchanged to 1 cent higher for sugar yolk, and up 1 to 2 cents for salt yolk. Trade sentiment was steady for whites and steady to fully steady for whole egg, sugar yolk and salt yolk. Offerings were adequate and most sellers could hold on to product with some increased confidence. Demand was mostly moderate. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate with prices unchanged when compared to last week's reported prices.
WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	41-44	
WHITES	22-32	22-25
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	71-74	71-73
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	67-71	67-69

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 5/11 was 1% more than the previous week. Breaking stock light. Frozen demand fair and freezer stocks adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	48-51
WHITES	28-31
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-80
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	73-76

NATIONAL DRIED EGG Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to last week's trading, however whole and yolk ranged unchanged to higher, but albumen ranged unchanged to lower. The market tone was at least steady for whole and yolk, while albumen was unsettled. Demand was fair with continued inquiry for long term deliveries. Supplies were adequate to available for immediate trade requirements. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending May 11, 2002 were 3% lower than the previous week, but 1% higher than the same week last year. The overall total dried egg year to date change was 14% more than a year ago.
WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.41-1.75	MOSTLY	1.49-1.55
YOLKS	1.59-1.95	MOSTLY	1.70-1.80
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.70-1.95	MOSTLY	1.72-1.85
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.12-1.25	MOSTLY	1.12-1.15

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR MAY 10, 2002-MAY 16, 2002

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS										
79.25								52.50								131.75										
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW						
CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST					
GNR W XL	—	—		—	—		32.00	34.00	3.00	GNR W 1	—	—		—	—	42.50	2.00	GL W J	—	—		—	—	1.50		
GNR W 1	28.17	31.40		27.67	27.40		32.85	33.40	25.00	GL W LG	34.00	35.27		—	43.33	42.36	12.75	GL W MD	23.00	29.88		25.00	—	31.18	10.50	
GNR W 2	—	33.00		—	—		—	—	1.00	GL W SM	22.00	—		—	—	—	1.00	NRBS - 45	—	—		20.00	21.50	—	—	3.00
GNR W 3	—	—		—	—		25.00	25.00	3.00	NRBS - 42	19.00	22.00		—	—	—	2.00									
GNR BR 1	—	—		—	32.00		—	—	1.00																	
GL W J	—	—		—	—		38.50	—	1.00																	
GL W XL	—	37.88		33.75	35.78		36.88	36.00	40.25																	
GL W LG	—	33.42		—	35.00		34.04	38.50	25.00																	
GL W MD	—	31.00		26.73	28.67		22.00	29.00	9.50																	
GL W SM	23.13	24.25		22.70	24.50		20.00	—	8.00																	
NRBS - 50	—	31.00		27.11	—		29.50	31.00	11.00																	
NRBS - 48	—	—		26.50	27.50		32.00	29.00	30.50																	
NRBS - 42	—	—		—	—		—	22.00	1.00																	
NRBS - 39	—	—		—	—		—	17.50	4.00																	

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged.

Demand was light for the fully adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules were at least normal. Movement of finished product was fair with offerings generally adequate. The undertone was steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Demand continued moderate with offerings burdensome. Excess hens were being sourced into alternative forms of disposal. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Sales were too few to report. Offerings were at least adequate for the mostly light to fair demand. Processing schedules were normal. Sales of finished products were clearing. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT Plant schedules heavy. Offerings ample.

LIVE TYPE HENS

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0 (1)	
Eastern Light	0-0 (2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR* (2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR* (1)	
No. Central Light	0 (2)	

(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading

*(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 17-May-02
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	52.21	50.33	45.63
SOUTHERN	47.66	44.91	40.95
MIDWEST	41.85	40.28	34.49
WESTERN	69.98	65.90	60.76
TWELVE METRO AREAS	55.87	53.18	48.08

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices were generally unchanged on both heavy and light canners when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Demand ranged light to moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
21-25 MAJORITY 22-22.5	31-38 MAJORITY
CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED	
LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
22-27.5 MAJORITY 23.5-24	32.5-40 MAJORITY 33-33.5

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 11-May-02
(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	2,008	1,280	3,288
LAST WEEK	1,946	1,543	3,489
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,575	1,465	3,040
TO-DATE/2002	35,041	24,956	59,997
TO-DATE/2001	34,834	25,276	60,110

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	352	4	356
LAST WEEK	362	0	362
SAME WEEK YR AGO	574	0	574
TO-DATE/2002	6,168	24	6,192
TO-DATE/2001	9,643	148	9,791

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
THOUSANDS			
HEAD	2,360	1,284	3,644
LAST WEEK	2,308	1,543	3,851
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,149	1,465	3,614
TO-DATE/2002	41,209	24,980	66,189
TO-DATE/2001	44,477	25,424	69,901

SOURCE: USDA/AMS PLTRY PROGRAMS, MRKT NEWS BR.

*See Page 5 for Week Ending 04-May-02.

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 04, 2002		Year-To-Date		
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Liquid	369	548	6,383	4,124
Frozen	0	40	0	40
Dried	0	0	8	22
Total	369	588	6,391	4,186

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending May 04, 2002		Year-To-Date		
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	71	55	1,770	1,627
Frozen	47	4	1,283	567
Dried	142	0	1,385	226
Total	260	59	4,438	2,420

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending May 04, 2002		Year-To-Date		
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	0	0	1,028	87
Extra Large	210	1,425	3,468	11,541
Large	3,066	2,686	26,713	34,861
Medium	1,368	660	17,493	14,008
Ungraded	15,210	9,960	76,710	82,544
Misc	780	3,800	10,984	19,128
Total	20,634	18,531	136,396	162,169

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS). CENTS PER DOZEN

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
22-25	14-18	6-9

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
117-120	70-73	59-62	47-50	25-28

DETROIT PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
43-53	36-40	34-39	30-34	23-27

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS	TURKS	POP
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 12-May-02	2,385	195,046	74,160
AM 1-May-02	1,788	151,242	71,915
CHG	597	43,804	2,245
PCT CHG	33	29	3

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 11-May-02

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS	PW	LY
ATLANTA	22.0	19.6	12 0
BOSTON	3.3	3.6	-8 -11
CHICAGO	53.8	42.2	27 25
DETROIT	30.5	29.7	3 25
KANSAS CITY	3.0	6.2	-52 -29
LOS ANGELES	85.2	83.2	2 -22
NEW ORLEANS	13.1	9.8	34 72
NEW YORK	33.7	33.4	1 -2
ST. LOUIS	15.5	18.6	-17 -23
SAN FRANCISCO	19.8	21.5	-8 -12
TOTAL	279.9	267.8	5 -4
4 WK MVG AVG	270.8		

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

W/E 11-May-02

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	215.5	-1	3
E.N. CENTRAL	498.2	12	-3
W.N. CENTRAL	261.0	8	-12
S. ATLANTIC	125.3	1	-1
S. CENTRAL	63.5	1	3
WEST	152.4	-16	-17
TOTAL	1315.9	3	-5
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		89	88

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, MAY 14, 2002.

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	101	90	80	58
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	94-98	83-87	73-77	51-55
MOSTLY	96-97	85-86	75-76	53-54
RHODE ISLAND	101-104	90-93	80-83	58-61
MOSTLY	104	93	83	61
VERMONT	105-108	95-97	83-85	-
MOSTLY	108	97	85	-

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LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 04-May-02
(PRELIMINARY)

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	1,946	1,543	3,489
LAST WEEK	1,948	1,368	3,316
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,754	1,400	3,154
TO-DATE/2002	33,033	23,676	56,709
TO-DATE/2001	33,259	23,811	57,070

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	362	0	362
LAST WEEK	378	0	378
SAME WEEK YR AGO	505	0	505
TO-DATE/2002	5,816	20	5,836
TO-DATE/2001	9,069	148	9,217

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	2,308	1,543	3,851
LAST WEEK	2,326	1,368	3,694
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,259	1,400	3,659
TO-DATE/2002	38,849	23,696	62,545
TO-DATE/2001	42,328	23,959	66,287

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH

U.S. MONTHLY INVENTORY OF DRIED EGG SOLIDS AS OF APRIL 30, 2002**COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS**

CLASS	NUMBER OF POUNDS	% CHANGE LAST MONTH	% CHANGE LAST YEAR
WHOLE			
PLAIN	1,070,218	4	51
FREE FLOWING	4,387,628	25	60
BLEND	1,130,690	27	31
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	11,824,539	3	11
BLEND	81,700	-36	-49
YOLK			
PLAIN	1,259,609	36	79
BLEND	59,850	29	-3
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	3,414,485	11	74
TOTAL	23,228,719	10	30

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:

MARCH 31, 2002 - APRIL 27, 2002

TOTAL: 11,428,000 POUNDS.

Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.